

FIRST AUSTRALIAN
PARAPLEGIC
GAMES

1960

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME



ALBERT PARK
MELBOURNE
19th MARCH, 1960

PRICE 1/-

FOREWORD

Prior to the last war, 80% of paraplegics were dead within three years of their accident; of those who survived, the majority were bed-ridden invalids in Institutions.

Since the war, with advances in medical treatment, the outlook has completely changed and the paraplegic can look forward to a normal life span. But for life to be worth living there must also be independence, the ability to lead a useful happy life, to work and to play. This is rehabilitation.

Sport has played a most important part in the programme for the physical, psychological and social rehabilitation of paraplegics. It has been proved beyond doubt that many games can be adjusted to the disability of paralysed persons, in order to make them true sportsmen.

In 1948 a sports movement for the paralysed was started by Dr. Ludwig Guttman at the National Spinal Injuries Centre, Stoke Mandeville, England. This sports movement developed first into a national, and, since 1952, an international sports movement for the paralysed. These games, which are known as the "Paralympics" have gone from strength to strength, and in 1959 over three hundred competitors represented thirty-one nations.

Surely paraplegics are proving that they are, through the medium of sport, making a contribution to society and helping to further friendship and understanding amongst Nations.

Here today in Melbourne we are holding the first full-scale Interstate Paraplegic Games. This is an event of great importance in the development of paraplegic sport in the Commonwealth. Moreover, on the results of today's competitions, there will be selected a team to represent Australia at the International Games to be held in Rome in September.

This venture will cost money, but I am certain that I can count on your support for, surely, Australia must be represented in Rome.

D. J. E. CHESHIRE,

*Director, Spinal Injuries Centre
for Victoria.*

AUSTRALIAN PARAPLEGIC GAMES: MARCH, 1960

OFFICIALS

Referee: R. SLATER

Chief Field Judge: W. GAY

FIELD EVENTS:

Javelin
Shot Put
Club Throwing

} W. Gay and Officials of V.A.A.A.

ARCHERY & DARTCHERY:

Field Captain: G. Hevey
Scorers: Miss G. Preston
" F. Odgers
" J. Emmett

Scorers Assts.: Occupational Therapy Students.

WEIGHT LIFTING: Stan Nicholls

TABLE TENNIS: P. Hutchins

BASKETBALL H. Perazzo

SABRE FENCING: Representative of Victorian
Amateur Fencing Association.

Announcers: R. Slater G. Luke

Number and Costume Steward: G. Morrison

Record and Results Stewards: Miss A. Pennington
Mrs. A. Bitcon
Miss S. Page

Publicity: SCORING:

Field Events:

1st — 5 points
2nd — 3 "
3rd — 1 "

Basketball:

1st — 10 points
2nd — 5 "
3rd — 3 "

CONDITIONS:

Competitors must not enter the arena before their event is called by the official announcer, and must leave the arena not later than five minutes after the completion of the event.

Competitors will not be permitted to start unless proper club costume is worn, and registered number affixed to back of singlet.

After finishing an event Competitors must report back to the finish judges immediately, to have their names recorded. Failure to do this will render a competitor liable to forfeiture of his placing in the event.

Competitors should make themselves familiar with the rules, which will be strictly enforced.

4.00 p.m.

FENCING:

SABRE

Demonstration by Western Australia.

EVENT 5

4.15 p.m.

DARTCHERY:

COMPETITORS TO COMPETE IN PAIRS — ONE PAIR PER STATE.

THE GAME IS TO SCORE EXACTLY 501.

New South Wales:

1. R. Sutton
2. P. South

South Australia:

1. B. Bird
2. W. Reine

Western Australia

1. J. O'Connell
2. C. Bickle

Victoria:

1. G. Burch
2. A. Roberts

1st.....2nd.....3rd.....

EVENT 6

4.30 p.m.

CLUB THROWING:

BEST OF THREE THROWS.

New South Wales:

1. G. Hooper
2. R. White
3. G. Hirst

Victoria:

1. K. Coombs
2. R. Hepburn
3. F. Martin

Western Australia:

1. R. Murgatroyd
2. K. Cunningham
3. C. O'Brien

Competitor	First	Second	Third	Best	Placing

EVENING EVENT TO BE HELD AT THE BASKETBALL STADIUM

Albert Park

EVENT 7

7.00 p.m.

TABLE TENNIS:

PRELIMINARIES DECIDED FRIDAY, 18th MARCH.

Singles:

New South Wales:

1. S. Phillips
2. L. Churchyard
3. C. Mead
4. D. Ceeney (Mrs.)

Victoria:

1. B. Moretti
2. K. Coombs
3. A. Franklin
4. F. Martin

Western Australia:

1. W. Brown
2. F. Ponta
3. R. Cockerill
4. C. O'Brien

South Australia:

1. B. Bird
2. W. Reine

Tasmania:

1. L. McKenna
2. D. Roper

SINGLES:

1st Semi-Final.....v.....

2nd Semi-Final.....v.....

Finals.....v.....WINNER.....

DOUBLES:

New South Wales:

1. S. Phillips
T. French
2. L. Churchyard
D. Ceeney (Mrs.)

Western Australia:

1. C. O'Brien
J. Turich
2. W. Brown
R. Cockrill

Victoria:

1. K. Coombs
B. Moretti
2. F. Martin
A. Franklin

South Australia:

1. B. Bird
W. Reine

Tasmania:

1. L. McKenna
D. Roper

DOUBLES:

1st Semi-Final.....v.....

2nd Semi-Final.....v.....

Final.....v.....

WINNER:.....

BASKETBALL:**New South Wales:**

1. G. Hooper
2. J. Gidney
3. G. Hirst
4. R. White
5. R. Sutton

Reserves:

6. R. Squires
7. N. Drew

Composite:

1. B. Bird (S.A.)
2. W. Reine (S.A.)
3. L. McKenna (Tas.)
4. D. Roper (Tas.)
5. L. Murphy (Vic.)

Reserves:

6. R. Schmid
7. A. Franklin

Victoria:

1. F. Martin
2. K. Coombs
3. R. Hepburn
4. G. Burch
5. A. Roberts

Reserves:

6. B. Moretti
7. R. Lucas

Western Australia:

1. W. Brown
2. R. Cockrill
3. K. Cunningham
4. F. Ponta
5. J. Turich

Reserves:

6. C. O'Brien
7. R. Murgatroyd

8.15 p.m. — Semi-Final.....v.....

9.00 p.m. — Final.....v.....

PLACES:

1.
2.
3.
4.

Presentation of Trophies by SENATOR KENNELLY

Aggregate Interstate Competition

	Score	Places
New South Wales	_____	_____
Queensland	_____	_____
South Australia	_____	_____
Tasmania	_____	_____
Victoria	_____	_____
Western Australia	_____	_____